

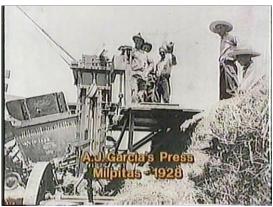
Milpitas Muse

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March Zoom Meeting: Revisiting How Haypress Teams Worked

Our March meeting will take place at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, March 9^{th.} Joe Ehardt will present a 25-minute video obtained from Tim Peddy of the California Pioneers of Santa Clara and of the Argonauts Historical Society (founded by Clyde Arbuckle, San Jose Historian). The video is a traveling re-enactment of how baling hay was done using equip-ment of the early- to mid-1900s, but the same methods hark back to the mid-1800s. Today, of course, the methodology is far more mechanized than that of the video.

The archives of the Milpitas Historical Society contain some of our most prized and old photos of farming in the 1890s, a number of which were donated by our long-time Society member, Joanne Souza. Some of these photos show family members posing with a haypress used to repackage cut hay into bound bales that can be stored in either field stacks or under cover until needed as well as sold and transported to other ranchers in need of feedstock. The historic picture show here is from the video we will watch.



To join this meeting from your Mac, PC, tablet, or smartphone, click on this link below and you will be connected!

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OR use your browser to go to

milpitashistoricalsociety.org, and on the home page

there will be a link to click that will automatically take you to the meeting.

We will have a social time afterwards (as we usually do after the meetings), so you can catch up with friends and find out what's going on.

Milpitas Historical Society's Annual Installation Dinner Returns for a Joyful Reunion of Members!

This year, as last year, the Milpitas Historical Society held its annual election of the Board of Directors at the January meeting, on Zoom.

But this year the Milpitas Historical Society was able to come together for its first in-person Installation Dinner in two years, because conditions seem to be improving a bit and we were able to take all required precautions. The installation dinner was held on Thursday, February 17th at Giorgio's Italian Restaurant in Milpitas.

There was a short business meeting acknowledging local officials in attendance, reading of the January minutes, and reading the treasurer's report. Milpitas Mayor Richard Tran officiated the swearing in ceremony of the Board of Directors.



Mayor Richard Tran, front, far right, taking his duties very seriously, swears in the 2022 Board of Directors. Back row, left to right, Catherine Pelizzari, Carolyn Tiernan, Danny Cosper, Bill Hare, Joseph Ehardt, front row, Joanne Souza, Harriett McGuire.

List of 2022 Officers and Directors:

President – Bill Hare

Vice President- Catherine Pelizzari

Secretary – Carolyn Tiernan

Treasurer – Joseph Ehardt

Director of Special Events – Harriett McGuire

Director of Membership - Danny Cosper

Director of Programs & Publications- Catherine

Pelizzari

Society Historian – Joanne Souza

Director of Archives- Joseph Ehardt

Director of Educational Outreach Program – Joseph Ehardt

Liaison to PRCRC- Commissioner Joseph Ehardt

Awards of "Key to the City" were presented by Mayor Tran to member Richard Santos, of the Santa Clara Water District Board, President Bill Hare, and Bud LoMonaco, Board Vice President of the Silicon Valley Crime Stoppers.





Joseph Ehardt, Treasurer, received the Milpitas Historical Society Honorary Service Award as well as being presented a California Legislative Assembly Certificate of Recognition plaque for his years of service by Assemblymember Alex Lee's office.



A delicious family-style Italian dinner followed and enjoyed by all.

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